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30 DAY IMMUNIZATION EXEMPTION

April 2022

Dear Parent or Guardian,

Florida Statute 1003.22 requires each child who is entitled to admittance to Kindergarten, or any other initial entrance into Florida public schools, to present a certificate of immunization for the prevention of those communicable diseases for which immunization is required. Additionally, the Department of Health and Rehabilitative Services require a school-entry health examination, performed within one year prior to enrollment in school.

The statute further requires these documents be completed prior to enrollment, and prohibits a school from admitting a student, regardless of grade level, who does not comply with the law. Further, the statute makes parents or guardians of school children responsible for compliance with the law.

The law does provide for a school to issue a temporary 30-day exemption for a student transferring from another state or country in order to allow time for the transfer of records.

Through a copy of this letter signed and dated by your school principal, you are hereby granted a temporary 30-day exemption as provided by law. However, by your signature on a copy of this letter you are acknowledging that your child will be excused from further attendance after the date indicated if the proper records of certification are not on file at the school.

Sincerely,
Theresa Axford
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Student, _____, is granted a temporary 30-day exemption to the immunization certification and school-entry health examination requirements F.S. 1003.22 as provided for in the law for a period starting _____ and ending on _____.
DATE DATE

Signature of School Principal

I acknowledge that the above named student has been granted a temporary 30-day exemption to F.S. 1003.22 and will be excluded from further attendance after _____ if the proper immunization certificate and school-entry health examination are not on file at the school by that date.

Signature of Parent or Guardian